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FOR MAGEE FROM SCHMIDT

E.O. 11652:GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

REF: (A) SOFIA 1714; (B) SOFIA 1637; (C) SOFIA 1644

1. AMBASSADOR'S CONSULTATIONS. JIM HAS ASKED EUR/EX TO PREPARE THE AMBASSADOR'S ORDERS FOR AT LEAST 30 DAYS AND TO PROVIDE NORMAL U.S. DIEM RATHER THAN THE HIGHER WASHINGTON PER DIEM. EUR/EX WILL ADVISE THE AMBASSADOR BY SEPTEL.

2. MESSAGE CENTER DELAY IN DISTRIBUTION OF CABLES. A RECENT TRANSFER OF THE NUMBER TWO PERSON IN THE EUR MESSAGE CENTER HAS RESULTED IN DELAYS IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF INCOMING CABLES. THIS SITUATION WILL LIKELY PERSIST FOR SOME TIME. ACCORDINGLY, YOU SHOULD SEND BY IMMEDIATE CABLE ANY INFORMATION OR OPERATIONAL REQUESTS YOU THINK
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WE SHOULD HAVE QUICKLY.

3. USE OF IMMEDIATE PRECEDENCE FOR I-O CHANNEL CABLES. WHEN O-I CABLES ARE SENT IMMEDIATE (IN EITHER DIRECTION), ADVANCE COPIES GO TO THE OPERATIONS CENTER. THUS, PLEASE USE DISCRETION IN SENDING O-I CABLES BY IMMEDIATE PRECEDENCE. WE'RE NOT SAYING DON'T, BUT PLEASE KEEP THIS IN

MIND.

4. WE WANT TO COMMEND MIKE MOZUR'S EFFORTS AS DESCRIBED IN SOFIA 1644, OF 14 AUGUST. WE THINK REGULAR CONSULTATIONS WITH APPROPRIATE MFA OFFICIALS SUCH AS POPOV, DURING WHICH MIKE BRIEFS THEM ON THE DETAILS OF OUTSTANDING DIVIDED FAMILY CASES, IS JUST THE SORT OF PRESSURE WHICH SHOULD HELP US RESOLVE THEM.

5. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS. GENE MALMBORG, L/M, HAS ADVISED US THAT THE AMBASSADOR NEED UPDATE, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, ONLY FORM JF-1.

6. SPECIAL CLEARANCE REQUEST. REQUESTS FOR SPECIAL CLEARANCES FOR TOM SONANDRES AND PAUL HACKER ARE STILL PENDING IN S/Y, WHICH CURRENTLY IS INUNDATED WITH SIMILAR REQUESTS ON AN EXPEDITED BASIS. S/Y IS UNSURE WHEN THEY WILL COME THROUGH. CHRISTOPHER

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